



Union Groups File for FM Stations; 19 Applications

By TRAVIS K. HEDRICK

Washington, D. C. At least 19 Frequency Modulation radio station applications have been filed with the Federal Communications Commission in the past few weeks by organized labor or liberals friendly to the cause of labor.

A check of FCC records showed that in addition to the 4 applications filed by the International Ladies Garment Workers (AFL) for stations in New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Chattanooga, Tenn., that its opposite number in the men's garment field, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers has 4 applications pending.

Already operating a standard broadcast station, WCFL, the Chicago Federation of Labor has a bid in for an FM station.

NEW YORK GROUP

Backed by a loan of \$500,000 from the Jewish Daily Forward, the Debs Memorial Radio Fund, Inc., operators of Station WEUD in New York, propose to start an FM station with Adolph Held as president, Alex Kahn, treasurer and Benjamin Gebiner as secretary. The group claims fixed assets of \$171,332.

Although the liberal or labor cause has put in 19 applications, something over 85 newspapers have entered similar bids for new FM stations. Altogether the FCC has well over 400 on hand as it moves into consideration of this first batch of applications.

FM CHEAPER, SHOWN

Because FM is cheaper to get into than the standard broadcasting field, and because it is new and the "coming thing" in radio, labor will watch the decisions of the FCC on labor's bid for recognition on the air in its first major effort to get a fair hearing on public questions—and to demonstrate how it, too, can be fair in offering the listener an objective and balanced program that will be entertaining, educational and help serve the cause of American democracy.

AFL GROUPS HELP VETS GET GOING

Washington, D. C. AFL groups in many cities are performing notable services for returning war veterans, according to a survey published in the current issue of the American Federationist.

The survey gave honorable mention to the St. Paul Trades and Labor Assembly, which has established a Veterans Service Center on the first floor of its labor temple under the direction of William Looby, of the Sheet Metal Workers Union, who served in the first World War and is a member of both the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

At the center veterans are given information as to their legal rights under veterans legislation, how to look for a job, how to get apprenticeship training, how to obtain loans, where to build a home and what union to join, if they wish to do so.

The Federationist article points out that the AFL called upon all its local affiliates to set up special committees to help veterans find employment and that the AFL's Labor League for Human Rights also has advised AFL affiliates to become active in community projects for veterans.

Green Demands Break for Jew In Palestine

New York City Warning that American working men and women were "greatly disturbed" by reports of a contemplated Palestine decision unfavorable to Jewish aspirations, AFL Pres. William Green cabled a strong message of protest to Prime Minister Attlee of Great Britain. The cable asserted that "for humanitarian reasons and in order to retain solemn pledges and promises made the Jewish people and their friends throughout the world, creation of a Jewish homeland should be immediately undertaken."

QUOTA SET IN COMING BOND DRIVE

Monterey County's quota in the Victory Loan drive which starts next Monday will be \$5,464,000, according to F. E. Dayton, chairman. Of this the county is asked to raise \$1,753,000 through sale of E Bonds.

Quotas by cities are as follows:

Salinas	\$2,932,300
Monterey	1,101,400
Carmel	469,000
Castroville	67,400
Soledad	115,700
Gonzales	115,700
Greenfield	88,400
King City	307,800
Pacific Grove	266,300

Joe Juri, vice-president of the Monterey County Trust & Savings Bank and a veteran of World War II, is chairman of the Salinas campaign.

LABORERS WIN \$1 PER HOUR AT MONTEREY

The Wage Adjustment Board has informed the Monterey County Building Trades Council that new wages for hod carriers, building and common laborers under jurisdiction of the council have been approved, effective October 3, 1945.

Lloyd T. Long, council business agent, announced.

New scales for general laborers are \$1.00 per hour, and the rates range upward to \$1.75 per hour for certain classifications.

Following are the new rates:

Group I—\$1.375 Per Hour—Header Board, Cribbers, House

Man, Drilling, Blaster (Powder Man), Drillers, High Scaler and

Form Raiser, Sand Blaster, Pipe Layer, Caulker, Bander, Wagon

Driver, Combination Jack Hammer and Powder.

Group II—\$1.3125 Per Hour—Concrete Mixer operator under 1/2

yard, Asphalt Ironer and raker.

Group III—\$1.25 Per Hour—Concrete Pan Work, Magnesite

and Mastic Work (wet or dry), Sloper—Mucker under ground,

Pavement Breaker, Jack-hammer, Vibrator, all Air, Gas and Electric

Tools; Loading and Unloading, carrying or handling of rod and material for use in reinforcing

concrete construction.

Group IV—\$1.00 Per Hour—General Laborer, Gardening and Land-

scaping, Bridge Laborer, Construction Laborer, Lumber Handler,

Truck Man (Construction, Maintenance, Repair), Cleanup Men,

Debris, Grounds, Building, Watchman, Guard, Concrete Labor (wet

or dry), Asphalt Shoveler.

With the validity of the new Salinas zoning ordinance, which will allow rezoning of property on South Main Street to allow a vast new business development, left up to voters in a special election in Salinas on Tuesday, November 6, the Central Labor Council on Monterey County and other supporters of the project have launched a campaign on the necessity of all Salinas residents voting in the special election.

The proposition will be whether or not to uphold the zoning ordinance adopted by the council and protested by some groups, and the vote for all union minded people will be "YES." However, spokesmen urged, "Be Sure to Vote."

New Theatre Started in Salinas Area

Construction of a new \$100,000 theatre in the Alisal area of Salinas has been begun by Cahill Bros., contractors, it was announced last week.

The theatre will be operated by Fox West Coast Theatres Co. It will be similar in design to the El Rey in Salinas.

S. F. Labor Council Backs Cause of Jews

San Francisco, Calif. The British government was urged by the Labor Council at its last meeting here to permit mass immigration of Jews into Palestine, reports John O'Connell, secretary.

The move reflects similar resolutions passed by the State Federation of Labor office and the AFL Executive Committee.

New Tax Bill Put Through By 'Gag Rule'

Washington, D. C.

Under a gag rule engineered by its ways and means committee the House passed a tax relief bill that cuts \$45 off the payment of the family man earning \$2000 a year, and gives relief of \$450,000 to persons earning \$5 million a year.

The vote was 343 to 10, with 6 Democrats, 2 Republicans, 1 American Labor Party and 1 Progressive in the opposition, while another group of 13 voted for it but signed an explosive statement charging the measure "gives the lions share of income tax forgiveness to those who do not need it."

WINDFALL FOR BIZ

It was officially estimated that the Doughton tax relief bill trims federal taxes by \$5350 million, of which \$1888 million will be saved corporations and \$2627 million to individuals.

Steered through committee without hearings and put on the floor under a rule sharply limiting debate, the bill gives 71.6 per cent of all reductions in excess profits taxes of .003 per cent of all U. S. corporations.

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To All Members Of Local No. 287:

Regular division meetings are now being held each month. Please attend your division meeting. Meetings are scheduled as follows:

SAN JOSE—Teamsters Hall, 941 The Alameda.

Bakery Div.—1st Tues. each month, 3:30 p.m.

General Div.—2nd Tues. each month, 7:30 p.m.

Sales Delivery Drivers—3rd Tues. each month, 7:30 p.m.

Dairy Div.—4th Tues. each month, 7:30 p.m.

SALINAS—Main & John Sts. All Divisions—2nd Wed. each month, 7:30 p.m.

MONTEREY—Culinary Alliance Building, 301 Alvarado. All Divisions—2nd Thurs. each month, 7:30 p.m.

WATSONVILLE—Labor Temple, Main Street. All Divisions—3rd Thurs. each month, 7:30 p.m.

Violence in Film Strike Attracts More Support to Union Pickets

Hollywood, Calif.

Violence against striking screen union pickets outside Warner Bros. studio in the notorious "Battles of Burbank" has strengthened co-operation between some film locals of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (AFL) and the 15 striking AFL locals.

This is noteworthy because IATSE Pres. Richard Walsh has denounced the strike and supplied replacement workers to the studios. The 7-month walkout began when producers recognized an IATSE local, ignoring a War Labor Board order to bargain with Screen Set Decorators Local 1421, Brotherhood of Painters.

Pres. Russell McKnight of the big Film Technicians Local 683, IATSE, appeared on the platform of a protest meeting called by strikers, following the first tear-gassing, hosing and clubbing of pickets. While assembled strikers applauded loudly, McKnight pledged that members of his local would not seek to crash the mass picket lines.

"Our people do not make good spearheads!" he said, referring to the use in that capacity of strike-breakers holding union cards in "quicker" locals chartered by Walsh in the jurisdiction of the 15 striking unions. Walsh has not yet complied with an order from the AFL executive council to disestablish these locals.

Observers outside Warner Bros. noted that no attempt to crash picket lines was made by members of other IATSE locals long established in the industry, like the Screen Costumers Local 705 and Makeup Artists Local 706.

"Hollywood's black eye is getting blacker," McKnight told the protest meeting. "Only reactionary, union-busting employers would use this type of weapon. Such acts constitute an attack on all decent union labor."

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Cost Control Sabotage By Delay Shown

Washington, D. C.

Unable to get rid of OPA directly, manufacturers of reconversion goods have figured out a neat way to sabotage the one agency left in Washington that stands in the way of their squeezing still more profits out of long-suffering consumers.

OPA has sent out questionnaires to manufacturers asking for the information on costs it needs for setting price ceilings. But apparently a great many manufacturers are too busy attacking price control to send their cost data to OPA.

So far only about half the companies making radios, refrigerators, electric ranges, small electrical appliances, vacuum cleaners and inner spring mattresses have bothered to send in their answers.

No word at all has been received from 14 industries making such products as sewing machines, carpet sweepers, metal household furniture, bicycles, miscellaneous sporting goods and musical instruments.

INTENTIONAL DELAYS?

OPA had hoped to complete the bulk of its reconversion pricing job by mid-September, according to Bread & Butter, weekly newsletter of Consumers Union. But owing to industry delays, prices have been fixed so far only for aluminum ware, washing machines and irons. A formula for fixing prices has been given the automobile industry but none of the manufacturers have submitted ceiling prices to OPA.

While these manufacturers continue their underhanded sabotage, OPA Chief Chester A. Bowles

placed the issue squarely: "If we can get figures promptly, it will help to speed industry's task of putting workers on the payrolls and filling stores with goods that have been out of stock for three or four years."

This sabotage by industry hits not only at OPA but at millions of unemployed workers who are thus being prevented from getting new jobs.

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The Labor Editor Speaks

INTRODUCING A SOMBER NOTE

We won the war, as we had to, but we are already losing the peace. The idealism of the Atlantic Charter has gone down the drain, just as the famed 14 points of Woodrow Wilson were mere phrases even before the first world war was over. We have made a start on a United Nations organization, but we also made a start on a League of Nations after the first world war. Unless the present drift is halted, the UN will not stop future wars any more than the LN could.

Pessimism? Not particularly—just realism. Look at the record: In the Philippines, semi-fascists and enemy collaborators have more to say in the affairs of state than the resistance leaders. In China, even Japanese troops are used by the Kuomintang to suppress "communists." In Korea, native leaders of the independence movement are being pushed around. In Greece, British arms have been used to force an unpopular government on the masses. In Indonesia, Dutch and British armies are reimposing imperialist rule on the natives and using Jap soldiers to help them. In Japan, large groups of the radical underground forces (all along opposed to the fascists and industrialists) are being shunted aside. In India, union organizers are still being thrown into jail and many leaders of the independence movement are behind lock and key. In Palestine, the British continue to play ball with the Arabs (for the sake of the "life-line") and persist in their double-cross of the Jews. In Italy, the British have been exerting every kind of pressure to see—not that there is a government set up on broad democratic foundations, but that there is a pliant regime ready to do their bidding on any matter considered of importance to the "life line."

Despite all the rosy promises about the extension of world democracy (when the going was tough and allies meant life or death) the situation in the world today is far from reassuring. On the surface there is much talk of world brotherhood, unity to prevent another war, the rights of peoples. Underneath there is a seething inferno of recrudescing cartelism, fierce struggle for preferential trading privileges, savage competition for the right to exploit "backward" nations, collaboration with fascists and semi-fascists and discredited royalists to "keep the people in their place." While the masses everywhere are "going left," the masters of finance and industry are more determined to cling to the "right."

Congressmen are more concerned about their special concepts of democracy prevailing in the Balkans than they are about planning for full employment at home. They talk about unity among the "big five" to keep the peace, yet they oppose sharing the secret of the atomic bomb with Russia, France and China—which, of course, means that all three of those countries are feverishly at work in their laboratories to wring power from the atomic nucleus. This cannot mean demobilization in the true sense, but another armament race for the development of even newer and more fantastic weapons for killing.

So long as huge aggregations of private capital, operating for private profit, are permitted to dictate the economics of the world, there can be no peace. The interludes between wars will be but armed truces. Until the world's productive resources are under the rigid control of the people and democracy extended to the fields of finance and industry, this earth will remain an unsafe place for our children to live in. Pious platitudes, rosy resolutions, paper organizations, ringing denunciations of war and war-mongers—these do not assure peace. The real ruling groups who direct our destinies are the men who manipulate our money, direct the affairs of our great corporations, furnish or deny jobs at their pleasure. Profit comes first; humanity second. We fear this old world will be a vale of tears for a long time yet—and we may not, in this developing atomic age, long be able even to weep, for our fate shall be decided by the race between reason and possible extinction!

HUMANITY AT THE CROSSROADS

It is creditably reported that Russia has appropriated the equivalent of \$4 billion for the development of the atomic bomb and other phases of atomic energy. It has been conceded that Russia's efforts in general scientific research and development now exceed those of the United States. If it is wise our government will advance the scope and intensity of its scientific search.

WANTED: 'ONE WORLD'

The new tax-bill proposes to lower the taxes on luxuries. When people are starving, sick and freezing, and the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration is begging for money, this nation cannot safely revel in luxury. People are hungry and dying in the rest of the world. Read Willkie's "One World."

Labor Dept. To Provide Service to Unionists

(Release from Office of State Federation of Labor)

San Francisco, Calif. Some time ago the Executive or unemployment insurance Council of the Federation passed a resolution requesting that the Department of Labor establish a trade union department to service the unions with essential information. Word has been released that a conference has been held with the Secretary of Labor in Washington composed of educators, labor leaders, and representatives of management, and that it has tentatively agreed on a labor extension service similar to the farm program of the United States Department of Agriculture.

The program would set up broad courses of study in labor and industrial relations, and would assign agents to major industrial centers to effectuate this program as well as provide financial aid for state departments of education and schools, both state and privately owned. These agents would be concerned mainly in advising both labor and management on federal labor laws, collective bargaining, labor research, statistical studies and other related matters to render their knowledge better and increase their effectiveness. It would help to develop trained leadership in the ranks of labor as well as promote greater interest in the studying of problems affecting labor. Such a program, properly executed, would eliminate certain private endeavors which have been deplored by legitimate labor circles not only because of their inadequate study courses and facilities, but because of their frequently undesirable philosophies.

FEDERATION PLEASED
The Federation is glad to know of this move, which is in line with the action it has taken. It is expected that before the program is finally submitted to Congress, labor's opinion will be solicited so that it will be satisfactory. It is well to keep in mind that, should this program be applied, the personnel for these positions should be men who not only have the necessary academic training, but are experienced in the field of labor-management relations, and who are concerned with nothing else but this subject. The Federation will support such a program as it develops.

LABOR MUST FIGHT FOR RENT CONTROL

(Release from Office of State Federation of Labor)

San Francisco, Calif. An elaborate campaign is being waged by certain realty interests to abolish rent control, which would create havoc among the hundreds of thousands of people living in the congested areas in California.

Ivan Carson, Deputy Administrator for Rent Control, has instructed all area rent directors to consult with and secure the opinions of labor organizations in their respective areas as to the advisability of removing rent control from the area. The area rent directors have also been instructed to secure the views, both oral and written, of organized labor with regard to the trends in rents and sales prices of rental accommodations.

The Federation urges the Central Labor Councils and other unions to contact the area rent directors in their respective localities and impress upon them the urgent need of maintaining rent control. Such action will be of powerful assistance in countering the campaign that is being waged for its removal. Terrible hardships will result once rent control is removed, and even under the present control system there are numerous hardship cases because of the limited accommodations available. This is a vital, urgent matter and must receive the immediate attention of all of the affiliates of the Federation.

Carnation Milk Rebuffed on Overtime Balk

Milwaukee, Wisconsin A proposal by the Carnation Co. of Milwaukee, and its subsidiaries to quit overtime payment to salaried workers was denied by the National War Labor Board with industry members dissenting. The company, which makes evaporated milk, has been compensating salaried workers for overtime after 48 hours a week with the approval of the regional WLB in Milwaukee. The company sought to stop the practice and argued the salaried workers had always put in overtime hours.

THE MARCH OF LABOR

THE BRAZILIAN CONSTITUTION OF 1937 CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING:

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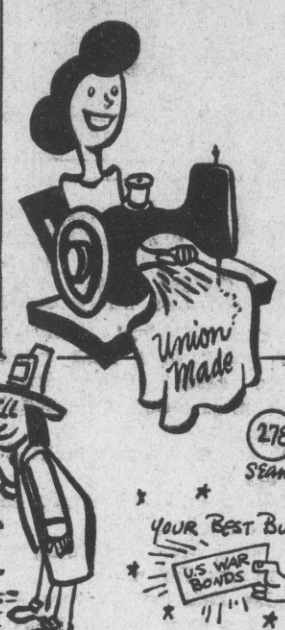
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GIGGLES AND GROANS

HYPOTHETICAL QUESTION

An elderly couple registered at a hotel but the night clerk informed them that the only thing left was the bridal suite.

"What the heck would we want with that?" growled the husband, "we've been married for 45 years." "Well," countered the clerk, "if you had dinner in a cabaret, you wouldn't have to dance, would you?"

TIME MARCHES ON!
ELDERLY LADY (as husband fails to help her up steps of bus)—Jim, you aren't as gallant as when I was a gal.

HUSBAND—No, dear, and you aren't as buoyant as when I was a boy.

SIMPLY ELECTRIFYING
SUSIE: "She has a magnetic personality."

FLUSIE: "She should have. Every stitch she has on is charged."

STANDARD VOGUE
MOPIE: "Women's styles don't change as much as some people think."

DOPIE: "Yeah? How's that?"
MOPIE: "Well, have you noticed that women are wearing the same thing in brassieres this year?"

ASSIGNMENT UNFINISHED
SUSIE: "Gee, I had a date with a general last night!"

FLUSIE: "Major general?"
SUSIE: "Not yet."

DOUBLE VISION
MOE: "Is that girl's dress torn, or am I seeing things?"

JOE: "Both."

WEATHER WHAT AM
"It must be cold up in the Aleutians."

"I'll say! When my buddy had his appendix taken out, it was chapped."

THIRD WAR IS ON!
On the bulletin board of a Marine outfit in the South Pacific, an eagle-eyed and considerate censor posted this notice addressed to a private:

"Letter at mail desk. Name on envelope, Dorothy; name on letter, Betty. Check, and if correct, mail."

SUPERVISING JOB
DOWNED PILOT (on a Pacific isle): "Why do you look at me so intently?"

CANNIBAL: "I am the food inspector."

DOCTOR'S ORDERS
"Life's very difficult," moaned Smith. "The doctor told me the only way to get rid of my rheumatism was to avoid anything damp, especially getting wet."

"Well, that's easy enough," remarked Robinson.

"Is it? Well, I feel like a fool sitting in an empty bathtub, washing myself with a vacuum cleaner!"

PROFESSIONAL CLASS
The poor bandaged applicant for a divorce said: "My wife ain't safe, Judge. She's been throwing things at me ever since we got married."

"The judge was skeptical," said: "And now you come for a separation after twenty years?"

"Yes, Judge, her aim is getting better."

Do You Know?

—That for each worker who gets \$1.20 an hour, 1200 workers get less than 85 cents an hour, and 800 get less than 65 cents an hour?

—That, according to the War Labor Board, only 14,000 (1 out of 2000) wage earners in private, non-agricultural employment got \$2.10 an hour or more straight time pay in 1944?

—That men in overalls are six out of seven of the gainfully employed, but even in the war years they got little more than \$4 out of \$7 of the national income?

—That, even in wartime, wage earners employed full time throughout the year, averaged only about \$2000 a year?

—That, at the height of the war, when wages reached their peak, average weekly earnings were \$47.52 for all manufacturing industries; \$65.65 for the highest paying industry (locomotives); and \$21.57 for the lowest pay industry (workshops)?

—That, even if the \$30-a-week man (before the war) was getting \$50 a week (during the war), the increased pay envelope wasn't as fat as it looked because (1) living costs were nearly half again as high and (2) withholding taxes cut the net still more?

—That, with the end of the war and the elimination of overtime and night premiums, weekly earnings of those fortunate enough to hold on to their jobs have taken a sharp downward plunge?

—That in the steel industry, for example, the return to the 40-hour week is cutting weekly earnings between 25 and 30 per cent?

Put the Heat On Congress!

Organized labor is letting its representatives in Congress know it is watching their vote on the following legislation:

Full Employment (S. 380) Now before the House Committee on executive expenditures choice must be made between the original Kilgore-Patman bill or the watered-down Senate-passed bill.

Wire Chairman Carter Manasco (D. Ala.) and your representatives to support the original bill.

Minimum Wage (S. 1349) (HR. 3914) Hearings continue in Senate labor and education subcommittee with support from Sen. James Tunnel (D. Del.) & Sen. George Aiken (R. Vt.), opposition from Sen. Allen Ennender (D. La.). Hearings begin in House labor committee. Urge favorable Senate report on bill and early action in House.

Unemployment Compensation (S. 1274) (HR. 3891) With \$25 weekly provision eliminated, the Senate-passed bill is stymied in House Ways & Means Committee. Labor is asking congressmen to sign discharge petition bringing bill from rules committee and pass original Forand bill.

Polltax Repeal (HR. 7) Fifty-two Senators have indicated support. A 2/3rds vote for cloture limiting debate will insure passage and the abolition of the undemocratic polltax in 7 southern states.

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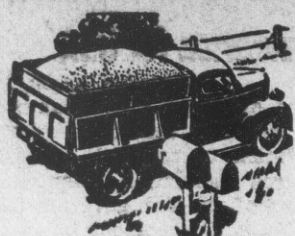
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WITH THE TEAMSTER

Of Local Union 287
GEO. JENOTT,
Secy.-Business Representative

Attention, former employees of Permanente Metals Corp. in Santa Clara County:

Teamsters Union 287 is holding a number of checks for back pay due former employees of the Permanente plant at Los Gatos, men who were truck drivers hauling cement over the highway.

Any person who in the past year worked as a cement truck driver over the highway for Permanente and has not been paid the retroactive wages due should contact the union offices in San Jose.

Approximately \$5,000 in back pay has been collected already for members of Teamsters Union 287 in connection with the new Freight Line Agreement.

Under this new agreement the raises are retroactive to May 1, 1945. In checking on back pay, the union has found a few members who had not received their back pay to April, 1943, part of which had been collected some time ago.

Regular meetings are being resumed by Local 287 and the schedule is as follows: San Jose (Teamsters Hall, 941 The Alameda), Bakery Division, First Tuesdays, 3:30 p.m.; General Division, Second Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.; Sales Delivery, Third Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.; Dairy Division, Fourth Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.; Salinas (Teamsters

Hall, Main and John Streets), all divisions, second Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.; Monterey (Culinary Hall, 301 Alvarado), all divisions, second Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.; Watsonville (Labor Temple, 462 Main Street), all divisions, third Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.

Keystone Coffee Company employees, who recently organized, are now under a signed contract with the Teamsters Union, Local 287.

Final decisions have been announced by the government in the National Biscuit Company case and the Teamsters Union was victorious. This covers teamsters and warehouse women workers. The decision granted the Teamsters Union the wage rates established when the case was first handed to the War Labor Board. Employers had appealed the deci-

ALONG CANNERY ROW

(AFL Fish Cannery Workers)

Union elections were held last Monday and results were announced too late for this week's column. However, next week all elected officers will be listed here.

DID YOU VOTE?

Pre-election campaigning this year was as heavy as ever, and some spirited arguments over qualifications of various candidates for office, especially for key positions, were held.

Fishing has been at a standstill, of course, during the "Light," but fair catches were hauled in just prior to the full moon period. The record year is growing more and more!

Returning GI Joe Wheeler, just back from "over Ord way," is now employed at Hovden's warehouse. Joe, better known as the "Mess Sarge Gestapo of Ord," may have been Adolf's right hand man there, but he wants to watch "Culver" at Hovden's.

—THE CAN OPENER.

Shipyard Differential Strike in Second Week

Los Angeles, Calif. As management refused to budge in granting the 11.6 per cent pay differential, the strike of 5000 AFL ship repair workers went into its second week. Organized by the Metal Trades Council, the men are demanding that the higher pay scale be applied to all workers in repair yards, and that the formula be extended to every craft in the yards connected with ship repair as is the case in San Francisco and other coast cities.

Swedish Riksdag Backs ILO Recommendations

Stockholm, Sweden The Swedish Riksdag has approved a sub-committee report which urges that Recommendations adopted at the International Labor Conference last year in Philadelphia be considered in shaping the social policy of Sweden.

sion on two occasions but the wage structure and decision were finally certified on October 9 by the NLRB.

A new contract has been negotiated and signed in the retail ice industry in San Jose, granting drivers improved wages and conditions.

MINUTES Bldg. Trades Council

Minutes of Building and Construction Trades Council, Monterey County, October 18, 1945. Meeting called to order by President Wm. J. Dickerson 8 p.m. Roll call showed eight Local unions represented. The minutes of the previous meeting was read and approved. Receipts noted and bills ordered paid.

CREDENTIALS

Hod Carriers, Building and Common Laborers Local Union No. 690 present credentials for Brother Francis Proctor as a delegate to replace Brother Geo. H. Crug, deceased. By motion the credentials were received and the delegate ordered seated.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received a copy of the minutes from the Building and Construction Trades Council of Santa Clara County. (Noted and filed.)

A letter from the State Federation of Labor, notifying the Council of certain changes in OPA price regulations.

Two news letters from the State Federation of Labor.

A letter from the U. S. Treasury Department requesting Labor to give their full support to the Victory Loan Drive to start October 29, and to end December 8, 1945.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

Brother Long reports some 14 new homes started during the past two weeks, although the contractors report a shortage of building material, there is a shortage of building craft men to do the work needed at this time.

The apprentice school is progressing in a good way. Mr. Wm. Logue was here Wednesday, Oct. 17, 1945, and explained the G. I. Bill and how to make application for the Government aid.

The report was accepted.

REPORTS OF UNIONS

Brother Fales, Electric Workers No. 1072—Good meeting though a small attendance.

Brother W. T. Evans, Carpenters L.U. No. 1323—Good meeting and appointed a committee to work for a wage adjustment.

Brother Luce, Hod Carriers L.U. No. 690—Good meeting; initiated two new members.

Brother Hicks, Roofers No. 50—Meet Friday at Watsonville.

GOOD OF THE COUNCIL

Brother J. J. Carpenter reports on the Apprentice Training program as being conducted at the Monterey High School.

No further business to come before the Council the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
—L. T. LONG,
Secretary-Treasurer.

SAY MARINES IN ORIENT MAY LEAD TO TROUBLE

Chungking, China Arrival of U. S. Marines at Tientsin, Tsingtao and other points in North China may lead the U. S. to armed involvement in the conflict between the Chungking government and the Communist-led 8th Route and New 4th Armies.

Reports continue to pour in that the U. S. is letting its troops be used as pawns by Chiang Kai-shek in his race to recapture all of China from the partisans. Latest report is that the U. S. 10th Air Force will help move two entire Chinese central government armies into Communist-led North China.

Chiang is sending his troops into guerrilla area to accept surrender of Japanese troops, although most of the fighting during the war was conducted by the Communist-led guerrillas. Gen. Chu Teh's demand that the Communists participate in the surrenders has not been accepted by the Allies.

Although Communist leader Mao Tse-tung and Chiang have reached a preliminary agreement on means of unifying China, a number of incidents have underscored the fragility of the understanding. These included charges by the Communists that Chiang has launched new offensives against their armies with the help of Japanese troops and assassination of a high aide of Mao who attended the negotiations in Chungking.

Attitude of the Chinese Communists to American aid to Chungking was made clear in a statement by the Communist-operated New China News Agency: "The presence of American troops in Tientsin will actually and inevitably lead to interference in Chinese domestic affairs and inevitably help the Kuomintang to oppose the Chinese Communist party and 100 million people in the liberated areas."

Sweetest on Earth

On his eighty-fifth birthday famed orator Chauncey Depew was invited to a gala dinner. All the notables present took turns in making highly complimentary speeches about the guest of honor. Finally there were cries of "Speech! Speech!"

"You have no idea how good it is to hear words of praise while I'm still alive," said Depew. "I'd much rather have the taffy than the epitaphy."

Imagination is something that sits up with a woman when her husband is out late.

MINUTES Central Labor Council

The minutes of the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council of October 16, 1945, was called to order by Pres. McCutcheon.

Credentials were presented for Dwight R. Campbell, to represent the Cannery Workers, and C. Verbest, of the Teamsters. It was moved, seconded and passed that they be seated. They were then given the obligation by Pres. McCutcheon.

The roll call showed the presence of seven delegates from five locals. Regular officers present were: President, McCutcheon; Vice President, Wheat; Secretary-Treasurer, Edwards, and Sergeant-at-arms, Johnson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

A year's affiliation dues to the California State Federation of Labor was ordered paid.

Various communications were presented and considered.

It was moved, seconded and passed to endorse the War and Community Chest, and recommend its support by affiliated locals.

There was some discussion of ways and means of getting delegates to attend the meetings of the council. It was pointed out that an active council provides a means for exchanging information and ideas, and a place to iron out difficulties, and for these reasons is well worth supporting.

The Bartenders announced an OPEN HOUSE November 5, from 2:30 on, Members and friends of the Bartenders and members of the Central Labor Council are cordially invited.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES

The Teamsters reported all well with them. Their next meeting will be October 18.

The Cannery Workers reported all quiet with them. They are to have an election of officers next Monday, and on Tuesday evening a meeting and installation of the new officers.

The Glass Bottle Blowers reported that there is a shortage of help at their plant. They have obtained a new contract with a five cent an hour increase, retroactive to January 1.

The Bartenders reported a good meeting with four initiations. It was moved, seconded and passed that the present officers hold over until the next regular election in January.

The financial report was read and accepted.

The meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be Nov. 6, at 8 P. M.

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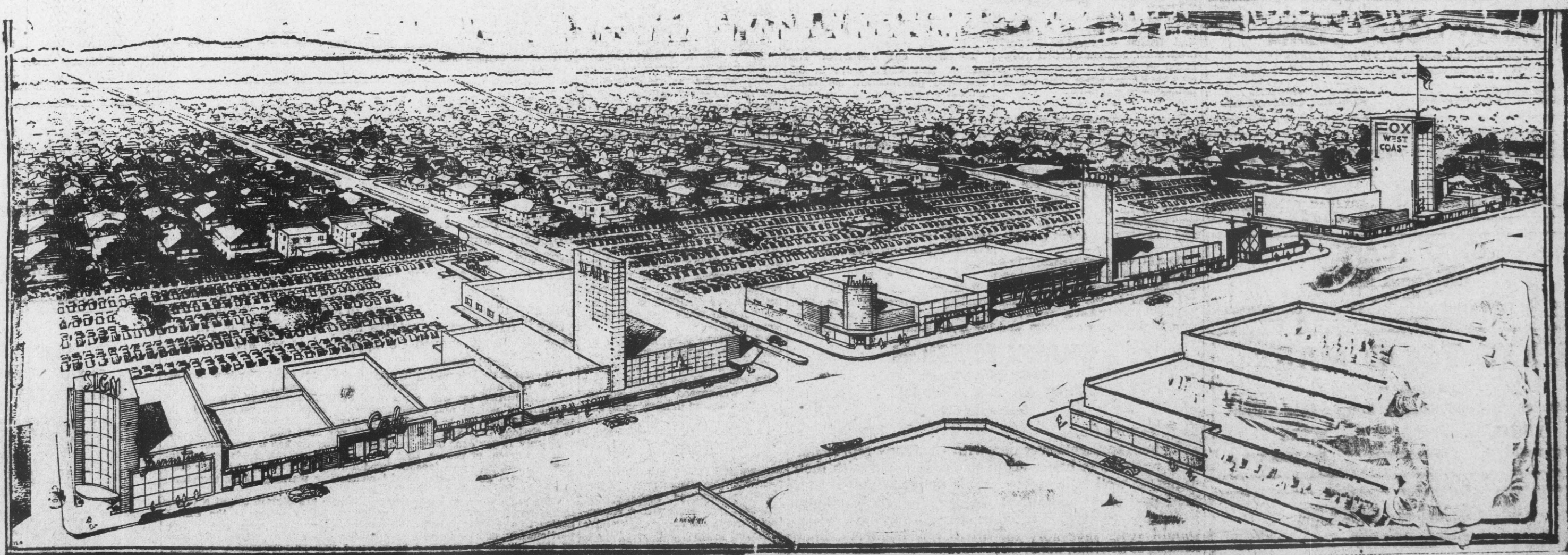
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Speigl Foods Company

Last week this column commented on a safety committee to be appointed at the Speigl Foods plant. The first preliminary meeting was held, and the following action took place: That three members of the Union be placed on that committee and three members from the Company who were working as executives. The appointments by the Company were J. S. Olive, Superintendent; Lester Rogers, Personnel Manager, and J. Hayes, in charge of maintenance.

A safety engineer was also appointed, whose name is James Tomlinson. The seven members of this committee shall make weekly inspections, and shall hold a general meeting once a month. Your Union is very much interested in such a committee because it will add to the safety of all of our members employed there, and it should cut accidents down to a minimum. The Company advised the Union that a majority of the accidents at the plant have been caused by "horse-play" on the part of certain people.

As was pointed out last week, when you read this column, the Speigl Foods Company should have started a frozen food line, and perhaps by the middle of next year, freezing will be operating to the point to fill the gap as dehydration dies off. Please be advised also that all persons employed in the frozen food line for the present will be governed by the same contract insofar as seniority and vacations are concerned.

Brother Newt Holdcraft and Myrtle Barnett have taken an extended leave of absence, and are on their way to Arkansas.

Mrs. John Wells, who was employed at Speigl's, gave birth to a baby boy recently.

**WESTERN FROZEN FOODS
WATSONVILLE**

Your Union is very much concerned with certain action taken by its members with reference to raids by a dual union. As pointed out in last week's paper, the employer has been very unfair, and his actions all through the past year has been to overthrow your Union in order to break the present contract. As you well know, our organization is in negotiations with the Company for increases in pay, amounting to as much as 30 per cent, the union shop, and vacations, as well as a better seniority clause. This should bring the minimum for women to 90 cents per hour. In the event your Union is faced with the type of opposition that cannot be handled through arbitration, economic action will be taken in such a manner that it may have some effect upon our relationship in the future.

To all of our members employed in the ice industry in Watsonville. Please be present at the regular meeting, which will be held at the Labor Temple in Watsonville on Monday night, November 5th, at 8 p.m., so that a new contract can be drawn up to be presented to your employers. Do not fail to attend this very important meeting.

TO ALL OF OUR MEMBERS: A complete new list of all of our active members has been prepared and mailed to the editor of the Monterey County Labor News. This should eliminate any errors that

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C. B. Gentry Co.

Union representatives met with Company representatives in order to better acquaint the foreman with their duties, as well as keep our people better informed as to their duties. As a result of this meeting, the Company has prepared new instructions for all foremen, which should react favorably for stewards, in all events, will be advised before any action is taken where it concerns a member of the union. In any event, a better understanding should result from this sort of co-operation. We are certain that our members will react favorably to this new set-up.

We wish to advise all of our members that the shop stewards are going to levy fines on all members who are not wearing a union button, as you well know, a 50c fine was voted on some time ago to anyone who was advised to wear a button and was found not doing so. So be careful!

All shop stewards at the C. B. Gentry plant will be given grievance forms by your union. We are going to ask all of our members who become involved in some sort of grievance to fill out the form and hand it back to the steward. A record must be kept, both for the office and the shop steward so

have been made in the past so far as members of ours not receiving the labor paper. Please take full advantage of this, and read the paper over carefully, and any news items that you wish in this paper, please notify the office of the union. This paper goes to press every Tuesday, and the paper is delivered to you Friday the same week. We also wish to advise our members that we receive 25 copies of our "Southern California Teamster" every week. This paper is full of current topics, as well as many pictures, which may be of interest to most of us. Anyone desirous of procuring this paper please call at the office of the union.

In the event you do not receive our weekly paper, and you are in good standing, please notify the office of the union immediately.

To all of our members in the Salinas Area: When unemployed, please register for employment in the office of the union. We have many jobs to be filled. Much of the work will run through the winter.

Your secretary regrets to inform our members that Lorene Keltner, who was in our employ, has left to take up her housekeeping duties. We regret this announcement because Lorene's work was very satisfactory. Your office secretary, Frances Douglass, who has been absent for several months because of illness, will be back on the job the early part of next month. We are happy to make this announcement because our present office secretary, Ida Curtis, will be leaving shortly to live with her husband who is a soldier in the U.S. Army, and now stationed at Bozeman, Montana. We will certainly miss this young lady, who has just become acquainted with all of our members and was performing her work in a manner which was very satisfactory. So, from all indications, your office help next month will be your old friend, Frances Douglass, and a new addition, whose name is Charlotte Abbott. I know that you will give these girls the same co-operation that you have to all of us in the past.

To all of our members: The present War Chest drive is on. The need for financial assistance is greater than ever. Any contribution you may make now may mean the saving of a life this winter. The War Chest aid reaches the people of six continents, including our own. You will also be helping our own fighting forces here and abroad. It is of great importance that we all contribute our share. You may make contributions to the Local War Chest agency, contact the union office, or the personnel departments where you are employed.

Remember, to keep in good standing—pay dues before the 15th of the month. A delinquent member is not entitled to sick benefits.

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that all matters can be quickly taken care of.

Wilbur Lawrence, foreman in the preparation department of the C. B. Gentry Company, became the father of a baby girl on September 9th. Very coincidentally, a boy was born to the Lawrences on September 9, 1944. They now have four children.

The following members received sick benefits the past week: Anna Holzauer, Gilroy, third week; Clarence W. Hogue, San Martin, second week; Lillian Cooper, Salinas, third week; Frieda Bonito, Salinas, second week; Ray McAdams, Salinas, first week; Peter B. Castro, Watsonville, 9th and final; Lillie M. Homer, Salinas, fourth week; Edith M. Kersey, Salinas, first week; Dorothy S. Allee, Salinas, second week; Elma Price, Watsonville, fourth week; Noah Carter, Salinas, second week;

**YOUR
CONGRESSMAN
REPORTS**By
GEORGE E. OUTLAND

President Truman recently sent a letter to Speaker Rayburn, asking Congress to appropriate 550 million to the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, or UNRRA, as it is commonly called. The importance of our President's request cannot be overestimated.

WHAT IS UNRRA?

Representatives of 44 United Nations signed the agreement forming UNRRA in 1943. There are now 3 more members. All have pledged themselves to provide sorely needed relief and rehabilitation for European and Far Eastern territories as they become liberated from the domination of the aggressors.

Herbert H. Lehman, former Governor of New York State, was made Director General of UNRRA. His own words express best the purpose of the organization:

"The United Nations undertook this responsibility for three major reasons: (1) Because simple humanity demands that we feed the starving, clothe the naked and bind up the wounds of the sick; (2) Because of military security: the stabilization of civilian conditions behind our fighting lines is obviously essential; and (3) Because of enlightened self-interest: the knowledge that the world's future will be in constant peril if the areas liberated by our armies fester with disease, unemployment, inflation and unrest."

UNRRA was never designed as a Santa Claus. In the main, only those countries which were invaded and whose resources were so completely depleted that they do not have the foreign exchange to pay for those basic supplies needed to begin all over again, are eligible for UNRRA assistance. As a matter of fact, national pride has often kept all but those countries most nearly destroyed, from applying for aid.

UNRRA is also limited as to the kinds of things it may send to countries. Food, clothing and medical supplies are the most obvious. Seeds, breeding cattle and some farm equipment are also sent so that agriculture may once again be established. Some help is furnished to industries making shoes, clothing and such items.

UNRRA'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Though operating under handicaps, UNRRA's accomplishments are already too numerous to list completely. By the end of September more than 2 million tons of supplies had been shipped to liberated areas. Complete relief operations have been organized in Greece, Yugoslavia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, and other countries. A program is now under way for China where UNRRA had already been sending medical supplies and had helped to stem a serious cholera epidemic in China. Some 5000 specialists are now in Germany helping to solve the tragic problem of the millions of displaced persons. General DeGaulle recently gave special commendation to four UNRRA officials for their heroic work in repatriating French citizens.

**THE UNITED STATES
HAS ALWAYS BEEN KIND**

Europe and the Far East face a grim winter. If we do not face our share, widespread death, starvation, disease and unimaginable suffering will be on all our consciences. America is a rich nation. We can well afford to help. We can give more than the 550 million we still owe. Our supplies are plentiful. The Department of Agriculture reported recently, for example, that, even with a relaxation of red-point rationing, we have sufficient meat and dairy products to feed our own people and fulfill UNRRA requirements for the last quarter of the year.

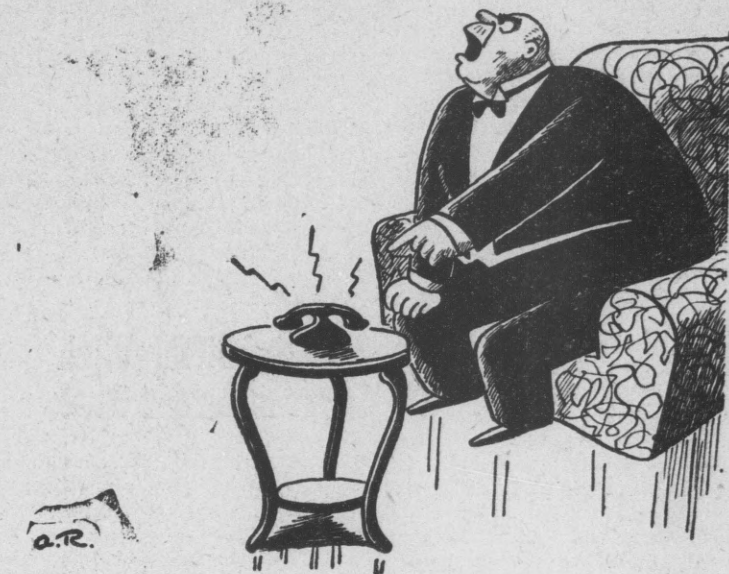
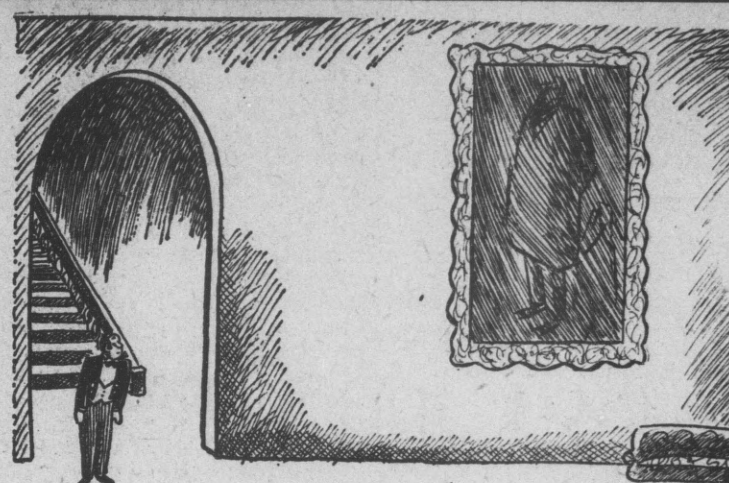
Some nations have already given more than their share. Brazil's contribution represents 10 per cent of its total national income. India, a land of famine itself, has given 24 million.

When he returned from Potsdam, President Truman said: "If we let Europe go cold and hungry, we may lose some of the foundations of order on which we hoped for world-wide peace must rest. We must help to the limits of our strength. And we will!"

If there is an American who doesn't join in this sentiment, I will think that some radical change has taken place in our national heart and common sense.

Until next week. . . .

Orley Cooper, Salinas, first and second week.
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**Labor Department Releases
Data on Shipyard Workers**

In a release by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, the outstanding record of the shipping industry and its expansion to supply our shipping needs is given full credit. The release points out that with a minimum of lost time, 50,000,000 dead weight tons of merchant shipping were produced during the three and one-half years from January, 1942 to July, 1945. During this period the combat strength of our Navy was increased by more than 3,000,000 displacement tons, jumping from the 1,313,000 tons of July 1, 1940 to the 4,433,000 tons of July 1, 1945. Tonnage of auxiliary ships, mincraft, landingcraft, etc. was increased by approximately 8,500,000 tons.

Following the cutbacks and cancellations of orders due to Japan's surrender, employment in the United States shipyards dropped to 871,000 at the end of August. This represented a decrease of 211,000 employees during the month of August and a drop of 852,000 from production was reached by the industry. The industry started with 168,000 employees in June 1940. Employment increased at an average monthly rate of 37,000 until 1,823,000 were employed in December 1943. Thereafter employment decreased at an average of 42,600 workers per month until a total of 871,000 was reached in August 1945.

During 1944, the report states, 11 out of every 100 shipyard workers were women. This was an increase from less than one half of one per cent in March 1942. Pacific Coast shipyards employed the highest percentage of women. During the war shipyard workers averaged approximately 48 hours of work per week as compared to 42 hours in January 1941.

If there are no distant relations at a man's funeral it's a safe bet that he died poor.

The chorus girl said: "I've got everything Betty Grable has—only I've had it longer."

**Davis Is Right: Unless Purchasing
Power of Worker is Kept at High
Level, Depression is Inevitable**

By "OBSERVER"

Alfred Baker Lewis of New York, who writes many excellent things dealing with labor problems, has called attention to the fact that William H. Davis, former Director of Economic Stabilization, is an advocate of "40 per cent to 50 per cent increase in average pay without any increase in average prices within the next five years." Mr. Lewis declares flatly that Davis is right—that this goal should be approved if we are to avert another depression.

He cites some interesting figures to prove his point. For instance, between 1919 and 1929 manufacturing output increased 42 per cent, but this was turned out with 6 per cent FEWER employees. Through the pressure of unions and some legislative enactments wages were increased during that period about 11 per cent. Says Mr. Lewis: "Now, it is obvious that you cannot sell 42 per cent more goods to people with only 11 per cent more pay. That is why we had a depression."

It is known, of course, that industry will use thousands of new inventions and processes (accumulated during the war) to cut labor costs in the years ahead. Mr. Lewis' concluding warning note, therefore, should be the concern of everybody:

"The main thing to remember is that we are certain to get a vastly increased flood of goods from manufacturing industry in the United States in the near future. We must increase purchasing power proportionately, or else we will have another depression, just as the failure of the owners of industry to increase pay proportionately with increased output plunged us into the depression of 1919-32."

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**AFL Supports Research
Foundation for USA**

Washington, D. C. The American Federation of Labor went on record in favor of legislation to establish a national research foundation, financed and controlled by the government, to supervise development of atomic power and other war-born scientific discoveries.

**Bill Asks Preserving
Federal Job Agencies**

Washington, D. C. A bill to retain federal control of the U. S. Employment Service while being operated by the states has been introduced by Sen. James E. Murray (D., Mont.).



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